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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111 AND 1.115

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 18, 2006 (Confirmation No. 9977), Applicant hereby respectfully submits the following Amendment and Response.

In the event of non-payment or improper payment of any required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit Deposit Account No. 501,262 as may

be required to correct the error.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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